

Reserve, First Military Government Battalion, A.P.O. 154, care of Postmaster, New York, New York; Lieutenant Commander L. R. Smith, United States Naval Reserve, E. S. S.-INDGHQ-SCAP, A. P. O. 500, San Francisco, California; Colonel William H. Neblett, United States Air Force Reserve, 815 Fifteenth Street Northwest, Washington, District of Columbia; Brigadier General E. A. Evans, Organized Reserve Corps, 6336 Thirty-first Place Northwest, Washington, District of Columbia; Colonel C. M. Boyer, Honorary Reserve, 3518 South Utah Street, Fairlington, Virginia; Colonel John P. Oliver, Judge Advocates General Corps, Reserve, 4524 Fulton Avenue, Van Nuys, California; Colonel John T. Carlton, Armored Cavalry Reserve, 1617 Crestwood Drive, Alexandria, Virginia, their successors, and persons admitted to membership pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, are created a body corporate by the name of Reserve Officers Association of the United States (hereinafter referred to as the "corporation"), and by such name shall be known, and have perpetual succession and the powers, limitations, and restrictions contained in this chapter.

(June 30, 1950, ch. 431, § 1, 64 Stat. 312.)

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 222 of this title.

§ 222. Completion of organization

A majority of the persons named in section 221 of this title and other persons selected from the membership of the Reserve Officers Association of the United States, an unincorporated association with national headquarters in the District of Columbia, met in national convention in Denver, Colorado, on June 16, 17, 18, and 19, 1948, and then and there, by and through duly elected delegates, adopted a national constitution and bylaws, elected national officers for such association, and did other acts and things necessary to the organization and continuance of the association. Such meeting in national convention, and the doing of such acts and things, on such dates, shall be held and considered to be a completion of the corporate organization of the Reserve Officers Association of the United States, the corporation created by this chapter.

(June 30, 1950, ch. 431, § 2, 64 Stat. 313.)

§ 223. Object and purpose of corporation

The object and purpose of the corporation shall be to support a military policy for the United States that will provide adequate national security and to promote the development and execution thereof.

(June 30, 1950, ch. 431, § 3, 64 Stat. 313.)

§ 224. Powers of corporation

The corporation shall have perpetual succession and power—

- (1) to sue and be sued;
- (2) to acquire, hold, lease, and dispose of such real and personal property as may be necessary to carry out the corporate object and purpose;
- (3) to accept gifts, legacies, and devises in furtherance of the corporate object and purpose;

- (4) to adopt and alter a corporate seal;
- (5) to adopt and alter a constitution and bylaws not inconsistent with the laws of the United States or of any State;
- (6) to establish, regulate, and discontinue subordinate departmental subdivisions and local chapters;
- (7) to adopt and alter emblems and badges;
- (8) to publish a newspaper, magazine, or other publications; and
- (9) to do any and all acts and things necessary and proper to carry out the object and purpose of the corporation.

(June 30, 1950, ch. 431, § 4, 64 Stat. 313.)

§ 225. Membership

Eligibility for membership in the corporation shall be determined according to the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

(June 30, 1950, ch. 431, § 5, 64 Stat. 313.)

§ 226. Officers

Officers of the corporation shall be a president, three vice presidents, three junior vice presidents, three national executive committeemen, an executive director, a national treasurer, judge advocate, surgeon, chaplain, historian, public relations officer, and such other officers as may be determined in national convention by the corporation.

(June 30, 1950, ch. 431, § 6, 64 Stat. 313.)

§ 227. National executive committee

(a) Composition

The governing body of the corporation shall be a national executive committee consisting of the president, the last past president, three vice presidents, three junior vice presidents, three national executive committeemen, and the executive director. Each of such persons constituting the national executive committee, except the executive director, shall have one vote upon all matters determined by the committee.

(b) Election of national officers; tenure; appointments

The national officers of the corporation shall be elected at an annual national convention and shall hold office for one year or until their successors have been duly elected and qualified, except the executive director, the national treasurer, and the national public relations officer, who shall be appointed by the national executive committee. In the event of the death, inability to serve, or resignation of any member of the national executive committee, other than the last past president or the president, the vacancy shall be filled by the existing members of the national executive committee. Any person appointed by the committee to fill a vacancy shall serve until the next national convention when his successor shall be elected for the unexpired term, if any, caused by the vacancy. The national vice president of the same service as the president shall assume the duties and have the powers of the president in the event of his death, inability to serve, resignation, or absence.